

MORE OFFERINGS FOR THE LIBRARY

Randolph Literary Society Will Give
Three Hundred Dollars.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO ACT.

Captain Carlton McCarthy Gives Some Timely
Suggestions Concerning the Establish-
ment of a Library—No Site
Has Been Donated.

Interest in the library movement is growing. All classes of citizens are almost clamoring for the City Council to do something by which the library may become a certainty, and the special tax idea, as provided for by Mr. Patterson's bill, is growing popular. The additional tax imposed by the bill can be met by much less than the maximum amount of one mill on the dollar, and will be such a small item that it will hardly be felt by those who may have to pay it. The Chamber of Commerce, has not determined yet upon calling a special meeting of that body to take action upon the offer made by the Passenger and Power Company for the first five years of the \$10,000 required of the city is provided. He will do so if it may seem necessary, but the regular board meeting is scheduled for next Thursday, and it will hardly be necessary to call a meeting before that time. He says he will himself vote to accept the proposition made by the railway company.

The Board of Aldermen will meet on Thursday night, and it is probable some action may be taken by that body. The original proposition is in the hands of the Finance Committee of the Council, of which Mr. James Caskey is chairman. This committee will probably hold a special meeting to consider the proposition.

MORE MONEY OFFERED.
Mr. Caskey yesterday received the following letter from the Randolph Literary Society in reference to the proposed library:

"Hon. James Caskey, Chairman of the Finance Committee, City:
"March 6, 1901.
"Dear Sir:—At a meeting of the Randolph Literary Society Saturday, March 3d, the undersigned committee was appointed to memorialize your honorable body, urging the acceptance of the Carnegie offer and to take such action as they deemed fit as to recommending an appeal to popular support and making an offer of substantial assistance.

"We are assisted by the papers that this course has also been proposed and liberally supported by several of our citizens.

"We beg to ask, if it be not feasible from the city's point of view, to comply with Mr. Carnegie's terms, by reason of a depleted exchequer, that the people be given a chance to lend a hand.

"While we do not presume to outline a plan, we desire to state, as an evidence of good faith, that the Randolph Literary Society will pledge itself to subscribe the sum of \$100 per year for three years to defray the necessary fund.

"This society recognizes the need of such an institution, easy of access to all at reasonable hours, and desires to go on record as favoring this proposition and any other having for its end popular education.

"We beg your honorable committee to recommend the acceptance of the offer, and give to a large and deserving part of the population advantages otherwise impossible for them to obtain.

"Very respectfully,
"J. N. GIBSON, JR.,
Chairman.
"IRVING E. CAMPBELL,
"E. B. SYDNOR,
"W. M. CRITCHFIELD,
"W. H. HARRIS."

This letter will be read at the meeting of the Finance Committee, and will also go to the Council in the report that may be made to that body.

Many citizens were seen in reference to the proposition made by the Passenger and Power Company, as printed in The Times yesterday, and various opinions were expressed. Some thought that it would be unwise for the city to put its self under obligations to a corporation, while others, who are the realization of the fact that would result, felt that the city should accept such a proposition regardless of the source.

HOW A LIBRARY GROWS.
Captain Carlton McCarthy, the City Accountant, who is an experienced bookman, wisely expresses himself in the following letter to The Times:

"Editor of The Times:
"The great value, after all, of the proposed gift of Mr. Carnegie may lie in the fact that it starts an enterprise which needs only to begin in order to grow and be great.

"The offer of the first gift has already produced liberal contributions, and who can estimate that it will follow? Why can't the gift of a site for the building?

"If a public library is a good and desirable thing and the people want it, they may have it by boldly making a part of it. The beginning is what is needed.

"A public library fairly housed and backed by the sympathy of the people would grow, in size and value, so rapidly as to astonish even thoughtful people.

"Intelligent care and genuine interest will produce steady growth even when the actual expenditure of money is small. Experience, the world over, demonstrates the fact that a library, once established, grows. The gift which creates the nucleus invariably leads to the gathering of valuable collections of books. The absorption of smaller libraries, a frequent and natural result of the establishment of one well-founded library, unites the comparatively useless small collections and builds up a strong and useful whole.

"In Richmond it would be possible to unite under one roof many small collections now doing duty in a limited sense, as public libraries, societies, lodges, associations, camps, and other organizations might readily be persuaded to contribute their collections in return for the use of the larger facilities of the general collection and many private collections, the growth of years would finally flow to the greater collection until departments filling whole rooms would be developed.

NO SITE GIVEN.
The report put in circulation yesterday afternoon that a wealthy lady of the city had offered to donate a site for the library was without foundation. The lady referred to was seen about the report and said she had not even given the matter a thought.

LOW RATES FOR CONVENTIONS.
Those Fixed by Southeastern Passenger Association for Various Meetings.

The Conference Committee of the Southeastern Passenger Association, which held a meeting recently in St. Augustine, decided upon rates for a large number of annual conventions and gatherings which will be of interest throughout the South. The announcement of these rates has not heretofore been published.

For the gathering of the United Confederate Veterans at Memphis, May 25th to 30th, a rate of one cent per mile each way has been made from points more

Free to the Ruptured.

Dr. W. S. Rice, the Well-Known Authority,
Sends a Trial of His Famous
Method Free to All.

Dr. W. S. Rice, 828 West Main Street, Adams, Va., will send free of charge to any person ruptured, whether a man, woman or child, a free trial of his famous curing cure. It is a marvellous method, curing



MR. R. W. YOUNG.

cases that defied hospitals, doctors, trusses, electricity and all else. "After the trial will be sent without any cost to you whatever. R. W. Young, a well-known commercial traveler, was ruptured ten years, tried every truss on the market, partly made up his mind to undergo the danger of an operation, when by the greatest of good luck he tried the Dr. Rice Method. He is now cured.

Mr. Young says: "I did not lose a day on the road. Hundreds of merchants and friends in Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa know the wonderful fact that this remarkable method cured me, and I certainly feel thankful enough to tell other ruptured people how they may profit by my experience." Mr. Young lives in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, at 322 1/2 First Avenue.

Every ruptured person ought to send at once and make a trial of this method that cures without pain, danger, operation or an hour's loss of time. Begin now and in a short time you will never know you had been ruptured. Write to-day sure.

than 200 miles from Memphis. Tickets will be on sale May 25, 26 and 27, and from May 28, 29, 30, 31, 1901, on May 28, 29, 30, and 31, the final limit being June 4th. An extension to June 14th will be allowed upon the payment of a deposit fee of fifty cents to the joint agent at Memphis. This extension applies only to points more than 200 miles from Memphis.

For the International Christian Endeavor Convention at Cincinnati on June 24th to 30th, a rate of one fare for the round trip has been decided on. Selling rates will be announced later. An extension of final limit to September 1st will be allowed upon payment of deposit fee of fifty cents to the joint agent.

For the Triennial Conclave of the Knights Templar at Louisville, Ky., August 27 to 30, a rate of one fare for the round trip for individuals has been made. For brass bands, including ten or more in uniform, the rate will be one cent per mile each way plus the arbitraries. Tickets will be sold August 25th to 28th inclusive, good to return until September 2d. The one fare tickets will be extended to September 18th upon the payment of the deposit fee of fifty cents. Numerous side trips are offered at low rates to the Knights Templar on this occasion.

For the National Convention of the Epworth League to be held at San Francisco, July 18th to 21st, a rate of one fare for the round trip has been made east of the Mississippi, and the same rate will be made west of the river. The dates of sale and limits will be announced later.

A one fare rate has been made for the Southern Baptist Convention which will be held at Nashville, Tenn., September 1st to 10th. The dates of sale will be announced later. An extension of fifteen days will be allowed on payment of the deposit fee of fifty cents.

Devoted to Her Pupils.
The Indian school on the Pamunkey Reservation in King William county, is the only one in the State under the direct control of the Board of Public Instruction.

The teacher was Miss Pattie Robbins, and last fall she informed the Board that she was going to be married. She asked them to get a new teacher. The Board secured a young lady to teach, but when the time came she declined to go. Miss Robbins would not postpone the wedding, and was married as per programme, but she was too loyal to leave the big school without a teacher, and now, as a bride, she conducts the State's school and sustains the high standard in which she is held by the Board.

Post A. to Give a Smoker.
Post A. T. P. A., of this city, will give a smoker at post headquarters next Tuesday night, at which a number of the best-known business men of the city will be present. In addition to the Richmond people who will enjoy the hospitality of the Post, Post C. of Petersburg, will send over a delegation. The invitation was extended by the delegation from this city, who attended the banquet given by the Petersburg travelers Tuesday night.

Small Fires.
Three small fires resulted in trifling damage yesterday. At 7:55 A. M. a burning chimney at No. 219 Church Hill Avenue was the occasion of a still alarm. At 8:15 P. M. a small fire at Thirty-first and O Street resulted in a loss of \$300. At 4:15 P. M. a chimney at Twenty-first and Broad required attention.

VERDICT FOR DAMAGES.
Mrs. Bowers Gets \$3,500 for the Death of Her Husband.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
BRISTOL, TENN., March 6.—Mrs. M. J. Bowers, in her suit against the Bristol Gas and Electric Company for \$10,000 for the death of her husband, who was killed by a shock and fell while on duty as a light trimmer, today received a verdict in the Virginia Court for \$3,500.

Within thirty-six hours there was a drop in the mercury here of 62 degrees, and this morning was the coldest of the winter, being within 8 degrees of zero.

New Postmasters.
(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
WASHINGTON, March 6.—North Carolina postmasters appointed to-day: Hilda, Alleghany county, Maggie Beaman, vice Elnis Spicer, resigned; Tiger, Kutherford county, J. C. Cole, vice Fletcher Taylor, resigned; Vulture, Northampton county, J. B. Vincent, vice V. R. Valentine, resigned.

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PROPERTY SOLD.
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FREE!
B. B. B.
Which Cures Tumor, Cancer,
Eating Sores, Ulcers, Etc.

Deadly cancer is the worst and most deep-seated blood disease on earth, yet the easiest to cure when B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm) is used. If you have tumors, ulcers, itching skin, scrofula, scabs and sores, deadly cancer, eating, festering, festering sores, swellings, lumps, persistent wart or sore, take Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.). It will cure even the worst case after everything else fails. Among others cured was Mrs. M. L. Adams of Fredericksburg, who had a cancer of the bones of her nose and upper part of her mouth entirely eaten out. Cured perfectly by taking fourteen bottles of B. B. B. Allan Grant, Sparta, Ga., had a painful sore on his hip called epithelial cancer, also much pain in bones and weakness in back; ten bottles of B. B. B. healed the sore and gave him strength, and made his blood pure and rich. Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) drains the cancer poison out of the system, then cures the swelling, tumor or cancer, heals perfectly. B. B. B. makes the blood pure and rich and builds up the broken down body. B. B. B. thoroughly tested for 30 years. Drug stores, \$1 trial treatment sent free by writing Blood Balm Co., 113 Michigan, Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice given until cured. Botanic Blood Balm does not contain mineral poisons or mercury (so many advertised remedies do), but is composed of pure Botanic Ingredients.

THE STREET RAILWAYS.
The Eighteenth Street Tangle and the Traction Company's Work.

The two street railway companies have reached an understanding as to the joint use of Eighteenth Street.

The Passenger and Power Company suggest that the City Attorney and City Engineer prepare an ordinance for the City Council to regulate the respective rights of the companies on Eighteenth Street. It is believed that this will straighten out the difficulties there and permit the work to proceed without further hindrance.

The Traction Company is about three-fourths through the work of putting down two tracks on Eighteenth Street, and about half through the work on Eighth Street. It is pushing the work vigorously and will be delayed only by the necessary special parties needed on the curve.

The Passenger and Power Company has a force of men at work on East Franklin Street. The street has been repaved as far as Fourteenth, and beyond that point the old tracks are being torn up.

The parties interested in using the pole on Main Street have been notified to meet in the office of the City Engineer on Friday at 11 o'clock to agree upon a plan for joint use of poles from First to Eighteenth Street.

At the meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Tuesday night next, they will meet to consider the ordinance for the Main-Street underground trolley ordinance.

RICHMOND TOBACCO TRADE.
Judge Wellford Granted a Charter in the Circuit Court Yesterday.

In the City Circuit Court yesterday, Judge Wellford granted a charter to the "Richmond Tobacco Trade," for the purpose of regulating the dealings among the various companies in the trade and to enforce the observance of all rules and regulations adopted for the conduct of its members and of their dealings. The corporation is to establish and maintain a central place, or exchange, in the city of Richmond, and will be controlled by a board of directors or trustees. Also, to exercise general control over warehousemen and others occupying positions of trust in the Tobacco Trade, and to regulate the conduct of all bidders, in such a manner and upon such conditions as may be prescribed by said corporation for the purpose of securing faithful performance of duty.

The general business of the corporation shall be the regulating of the storing, insuring, warehousing, sampling, weighing, selling and buying of tobacco by its members, with power to prescribe the mode of doing such business.

The capital stock is from \$500 to \$5,000, at \$10 a share.

Officers for the first year: President, F. D. Williams; Vice-President, C. D. Larus; Secretary and Treasurer, W. M. Streets; Directors, The President and vice-president and Messrs. F. E. Notting, W. C. Reed, J. T. Parkinson, C. W. Spicer, John P. Jacob, M. T. Smith and G. A. Haynes.

JAMES RIVER IMPROVEMENT.
Failure to Get a Quorum—Status of the Members to Be Discussed.

There was no meeting of the joint committee of the Council and the Chamber of Commerce on the improvement of the James River last night, as no quorum was present.

Among the matters which would have come before the attention of the committee would have been the opinion of City Attorney Pollard to the effect that the nomination of members on the committee by the Chamber of Commerce is an irregularity. The members of the present committee which were named by the Chamber of Commerce are: Messrs. Boyd, Cary, Crenshaw, Ellyson, Mayer, Newton and O'Sullivan.

It is probable that the matter will be dropped up by the election of these gentlemen as members of the committee by the Council.

The failure of the river and harbor bill to get through the Senate was a sad topic of conversation among the members who assembled.

and to enforce certain rights under a policy of insurance for \$500. This is a test case and the result of the suit will determine the rights of policy-holders in the Washington branch of the defendant's company to the amount of several thousand dollars. The case will probably be heard at the May term of the court.

In the Chancery Court, Louisa Graser qualified as executrix of Wm. Graser. The estate is valued at \$30,000. The entire estate is left to the wife.

Julia Hogan qualified as administratrix of Mortimer Hogan; estate valued at \$3,900.

E. J. Hay qualified as guardian of Richard Gentry.

A marriage license was granted to Lawrence C. Carter and Nellie B. Cravley in the Hustings Court yesterday.

Major Howard returned from Washington last night.

Solid Oak Washstand, \$1.65.
Here are some Washstands that we bought with the expectation of selling at \$3. They are 36 inches high, 29 inches deep and 30 inches wide—just the thing for the spare room. The finish was not quite up to the usual Meyer Store standard and consequently the cut in price. A smaller size at \$1.25.

At \$2.25 Venetian Cloth, the finest production of French looms, in the desirable shades; it's 25 inches wide.

At \$1.48 French Silk Wrap (in six-yard lengths), in exclusive colorings, an ideal clingy spring material for reception and street costumes.

At \$10.98 Imported Ribbon Stripe Batiste (in six-yard lengths), a sheer and clingy fabric with an overall silk ribbon self-colored stripe, in the choicest spring shades; it's 45 inches wide.

At \$1.25 Prunella Cloth, an elegant German weave of twisted worsted with a lustrous satin finish, in staple and evening tints; it's 45 inches wide. Another grade, 38 inches wide, at \$1.00.

At \$1.25 Lupin's Nuns' Veiling, in wood colors, reseda, navy and pearl, an especially dainty material, 45 inches wide.

Large Bottle Extra Strong Ammonia, regular 10c; special 7c.

Clothes Pins, Hardwood, best quality, regular price 16c; hundred, special 9c.

Hardwood Folding Wash Benches, fold up when not in use, regular price 75c; special 40c.

4-Foot A-Fold Clothes Horses, usually sold at 30c; special 30c.

Fibre Lunch Boxes, the 12c. kind, 7c.

Gas Stoves, 2-burner, the \$1.50 style for \$1.10.

Rubber Gas-Stove Tubing, all lengths, 4c. per foot.

Oil Stoves, warranted not to leak or smell, not the cheap, shoddy kind, but the very best make. Our guarantee with every one.

2-Burner, 65c, usually \$1.15.

4-Burner, \$1.25, usually \$1.75.

Muffin Pans—Stamped Muffin Pans, strong and well made.

6 hole, 7c.
9 hole, 11c.
12 hole, 14c.

Toilet Sets, 3 pieces, Japanned, consisting of foot tub, slop jar and water carrier, usually sold for \$1.19; special 80c.

Japanned Toilet Sets, complete on stand, consisting of ewer and basin, soap dish and towel arm. Just the thing for practical use. Regular price \$1.50; special \$1.10.

Handsomely Decorated Sugar and Flour Boxes, capacity 3½ pounds, usually sold at 25c; 12c.

Sugar and Flour Boxes, same as above, 7-pound capacity, regular price 35c; special at 16c.

Chamber pails, 10-quart capacity, usual price 25c; special 15c.

Oil Cans—2-quart Funnel Top Oil Cans, usual price 15c; special 10c.

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Flaring Pails or Dish Kettles, 1X tin, 10-quart capacity, 12c. each.

Flaring Pails or Dish Kettles, 1X tin, 12-quart capacity, 16c. each.

XX Piced Dish Pans, extra heavy, well made and guaranteed against leakage. One of these pans will out-last 2 of any other style.

4-quart Enamelled Long-Handle Covered Sauce Pan, 26c.

10-quart Enamelled Rinsing or Dish Pan, 29c.

14-quart Enamelled Rinsing or Dish Pan, 36c.